Parents and guardians are any school’s strongest allies for helping students achieve and thrive to their fullest potential. Robust two-way communication with students’ families cultivates a relationship between the home and the school that puts the families squarely on the school’s team when working with students.

### Parent Participation Rates

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The percentage of students in the school whose parents responded to the SALT Survey.

### What Teachers Say

- **Percent of teachers who agree or strongly agree:**
  - Parental involvement in school governance is essential to effective education.

### What Parents Say

- **Percent of parents who report that the school does well:**
  - Contacts me if my child does something well or improves
  - Contacts me if my child is having a problem
  - Responds to my concerns and requests within a reasonable time
  - Has a parent-teacher conference with me
  - Asks me to volunteer at the school

### Teacher practices and attitudes

- **Percent who report that at least weekly:**
  - They meet with individual parents to solve problems and provide assistance.

### Teachers

- **Percent who say they are satisfied or very satisfied with:**
  - The community supports this school.

### Students

- **Percent who report that:**
  - They are home unsupervised 3 or more hours a day, 3 or more days a week.